

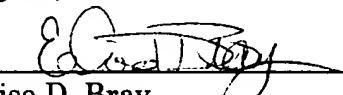


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Applicant : Kristine B. Fuimaono, et al.
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Title : IRRIGATION PROBE FOR ABLATION DURING OPEN HEART SURGERY

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AMENDMENT

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Commissioner:

In response to the Office action of May 31, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1 to 10, 13 to 16, 19 to 25, 28, and 29, amend claims 11, 12, 17, 18, 26, 27, and 30 to 33, and add new claims 57 to 63. All of pending claims 11, 12, 17, 18, 26, 27 and 30 to 63 follow:

11. (Amended) An irrigation probe according to claim 43, wherein the tubular body has an outer diameter ranging from about 0.50 inch to about 0.70 inch.